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I believe the Microsoft settlement as it currently stands is completely inadequate as far as a remedy is concerned. The most troubling aspect of the remedy for myself as a software engineer, is the number of loopholes in the language referring to open API's. Microsoft is not under obligation to reveal interfaces if that interface is related to security. Unfortunately this allows Microsoft itself to determine what is or isn't a security interface, e.g. is disk access security related? What if the file has permissions attached?

I think Microsoft should be forced to open all API's for their system, with oversight related to true security interfaces.

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